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Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION IN APRIL, 1889.

Land and buildings,	\$219,963 00
No. polls, 151,	15,100 00
cows, 405,	9,207 00
horses, 141,	7,830 00
oxen, 83,	4,057 00
other neat stock, 130,	2,010 00
sheep, 243,	793 00
carriages taxable, 6,	332 00
Shares bank stock, 44,	4,400 00
Money at interest,	4,886 00
Stock in trade,	5,340 00
Mills, 3,	900 00

	\$274,818 00
Money to collect,	\$3,046 00
Dog tax,	53 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

For State tax,	\$640 00
County tax,	549 12
schools,	648 00
cemetery,	500 00
contingent expenses,	500 00
memorial day,	25 00
copying records,	10 00
highway, in labor,	400 00
State, County, town and school tax per \$100 valuation, \$1.07	
Highway, tax, per \$100 valuation,	.15
Remaining in collector's hands, 1884,	93
" " 1886,	5 42
" " 1888,	17 95
" " 1889,	78 29

LAROY S. SANBORN, } Selectmen
of
AMOS M. EVANS, } Kensington.

Treasurer's Report.

JOHN W. YORK, in account with the town of Kensington for the year ending March 1st, 1890.

DR.	
To cash on hand March 1st, 1889,	\$129 66
Received from State, Railroad tax,	23 76
" Savings bank tax,	356 60
" Literary fund,	83 72
" County, for support of poor,	197 00
Received money borrowed for use of town,	100 00
" from T. H. Blake, for use of town house, 15 00	
" D. E. Palmer, collector of 1888, 94 50	
" S. N. Hobbs, collector of 1889, 2,967 71	
" J. Gill, collector of 1884, 5 54	
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	\$3,973 49
CR.	
Paid State tax,	\$640 00
county tax,	549 12
for support of schools,	731 72
" poor,	197 00
money borrowed with interest,	104 00
damage by dogs,	39 00
memorial purposes,	25 00
copying records,	10 00
labor on cemetery,	492 94
non-resident highway taxes in labor,	28 67
Abatements,	36 32
contingent expenses,	679 07
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Remaining in hands of Treasurer,	\$3,532 84
	\$440 65

Paid by order of Selectmen:

FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid S. M. Kimball, Treasurer Board of Education, \$731 72

FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid A. M. Evans, Overseer of Poor, \$197 00

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid J. D. P. Wingate, printing reports,	\$26 00
J. H. Batchelder, blank books,	2 62
S. A. Green, book for use in schools,	5 76
I. T. Purington, repairs of hearse,	19 25
C. D. Towle, damage on highway,	6 00
Geo. Osgood, book for copying records,	1 00
F. Poor, wood for town house,	6 50
L. S. Sanborn, express on casting,	50
L. S. Sanborn, postage, blanks and stationery,	1 14
H. Wadleigh, for public watering place,	2 00
W. S. Hobbs, " "	2 00
J. C. French, " "	2 00
T. H. Blake, care and repairs of town house,	7 69
Geo. B. Shaw, for shingling town house,	30 66
Sam'l Batchelder, attending 1 funeral with hearse, 1 25	
F. A. Mace, attending 5 funerals with hearse, 6 25	
F. A. Mace, drawing hearse to Exeter and returning same,	2 00
S. C. Chase, repairs of road machine,	50
A. M. Evans, " "	5 00
W. N. Shaw, damage to stone lifter,	1 00
D. J. Maloy, damage to plow,	50
	----- \$129 62

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid J. W. Brown, extra labor and material,	\$32 20
E. C. Wadleigh, "	4 80
N. L. Robie, "	12 90
J. W. W. Brown, "	7 50
D. J. Maloy, "	25 38
J. Lovering, "	7 05
Geo. M. Gove, "	11 50
J. E. Merrill, "	29 54
W. N. Shaw, "	34 76
C. R. Gove, "	3 15
J. Evans, "	19 80
J. D. Prescott, "	2 40
C. A. Evans, "	10 00
C. A. Evans, "	15 00
Dist. No. 8,	
" 7,	

Paid L. S. Sanborn,	"	and materials,	\$23 27
A. M. Evans,	"	with machine,	16 00
For drain pipe for bridges,			37 49
			———— \$292 74

MAKING SNOW PATHS IN MARCH, 1888.

Paid J. P. Lamprey,		\$4 00
S. C. Chase,		45
		———— \$4 45

SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid J. D. Prescott and S. M. Kimball, for ser-		
vices as auditors March 1st, 1889.		\$2 50
S. A. Green, on board of education,		16 00
S. M. Kimball, treasurer, board of education,		8 00
supervisors,		13 00
J. D. Prescott, moderator at March election,		2 00
F. A. Mace, town clerk,		25 00
L. S. Sanborn, for services as selectman,		24 00
J. W. W. Brown, " "		47 25
" for services as fish and		
game warden,		6 00
A. M. Evans, for services as selectman,		40 25
" " overseer of poor,		10 00
D. E. Palmer, collecting taxes in part, 1888,		1 17
S. N. Hobbs, collecting taxes in part, 1889,		37 09
J. W. York, services as treasurer,		20 00
		———— \$252 26
Total contingent expenses,		\$679 07

1884. ABATEMENTS.

Paid Geo. A. P. Wadleigh,		\$2 99
Philip Brown,		1 71
Chas. H. S. Wilber,		84
1888.		
Paid Alvah Brewer, female dog,		2 00
Chas. Fisher, poll,		98
Larry Field, poll and dog,		1 98
Jasper Blake, dog,		1 00
E. Fellows, poll,		98
heirs of Polly Sanborn, dog,		1 00

1889.

Paid W. N. Shaw, taxed by mistake,	\$0 53
Amos Rowe, dog died,	1 00
Angus Wilbur, dog died,	1 00
D. M. Evans, female dog died,	2 00
F. E. Austin, "	2 00
Geo. Blake, dog died,	1 00
Stephen Sawyer, dog died,	1 00
E. Fellows, poll,	1 07
Arthur Blake, poll,	1 07
Perley Blake, poll,	1 07
Donald McLoroy, poll,	1 07
John Stanton, poll,	1 07
Charles A. Dowe, poll,	1 07
Geo. Dunbar, poll,	1 07
Henry Jones, poll,	1 07
Wm. Shufelt, taxed by mistake,	1 07
heirs of John Brown, overrated,	2 13
Wm. Brown, "	84
J. W. W. Brown, taxed by mistake,	1 22
T. C. Shaw, 2 cows died,	49
	—————
	\$36 32

DOG TAX FUND.

Balance in treasury, March 1st, 1889,	\$66 50
Amount of dog tax for 1889,	.53 00
	—————
	\$119 50.
Paid J. W. York, damage to sheep,	\$20 00
J. D. Prescott, "	6 00
David Brown, "	5 00
W. N. Shaw, "	4 00
heirs of Polly Sanborn, damage to sheep,	4 00
Abatements.	13 00
	—————
Remaining in treasury,	\$52 00
	—————
	\$67 50

AUDITORS' REPORT.

KENSINGTON, MARCH 1st, 1890.

Having examined the foregoing accounts we find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and do hereby approve the same.

WEARE N. SHAW,
HARRISON ROWE, } Auditors.

School Report.

The Annual Report of the Board of Education for the year ending March, 1890, is herewith submitted.

In reviewing the work of the year we are gratified to find that progress has been made in all our schools.

Efficient teachers were placed in charge, who labored faithfully in the interest of their schools, and the work generally has been satisfactory, and there is much to be commended.

To secure the best results in school, lessons must be learned in their order from day to day, and the drill of the teacher must be continuous. If scholars are irregular in attendance, great progress cannot be made. Those who attend school three days, only, during a week, are liable to fall helplessly behind.

The attendance for the year has not been as constant as we could desire, but with the exception of unavoidable absences, we think there has been an improvement over former years.

At the beginning of the year, we suggested that more time be given to Mental Arithmetic, Compositions, Map-drawing, and the "Injurious effects of alcoholic stimulants and narcotics upon the human system." The first subjects received considerable attention, and a marked improvement was made, especially in composition work.

The Legislature at its last session, passed the following act relative to free text-books :

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened :

SEC. 1. The school committee of every city and town shall purchase, at the expense of such city or town, text-books and other supplies used in the public schools; and said text-books and supplies shall be loaned to the pupils of said public schools free of charge, subject to such rules and regulations as to care and custody as the school committee may prescribe; *provided*, that in purchasing the first supply of text-books under this act, the school committee may effect a change in the text-books previously and then in use upon any subject.

SEC. 2. Pupils supplied with text-books at the time of the passage of this act shall not be supplied with similar books by the committee, until needed.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect upon the first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety.

By this law it will be seen that henceforth text-books and school supplies are to be furnished to the public schools at the expense of the town. Such books and supplies will be the property of the town, and are to be loaned to the pupils, (while in school,) who are to be held responsible for their careful use and return to the board at the end of the term or year.

Children will acquire the habit of carefulness in the use of books, if required to pay for a book damaged beyond the necessary wear in use.

Additional work will be required on the part of the teacher, as she will need to keep a careful account of the books and their condition, delivered to each pupil, and hold that pupil responsible for the care and return of the same at the end of the term.

Let us all use our best endeavors to have our schools conducted in such a manner that the "greatest good to the greatest number" shall be the result, and while congratulating parents and pupils on the prosperity of the past year, we would wish that the results of the coming year may be even more successful.

NORTH SCHOOL.

MISS MARION HILLIARD, Teacher.

Miss Hilliard entered upon her duties with a genuine love for the work of teaching, and throughout the year, has been prompt in action, and pleasant in discipline, proving herself eminently fitted for her chosen vocation. A visit to the school was always pleasant and profitable. The closing examination was well attended, and the exercises were such as to make a favorable impression upon those who listened to them.

ROLL OF HONOR.

First Term.—Mary A. Gove, Grace A. Hilliard, Mary A. Hilliard, Edith Ross, Hattie Wadleigh, May F. York, Archie T. York.

Second Term.—Mary Gove, Fannie Gove, Edith Hilliard, Mary Hilliard, Stewart Rowe, Arthur Wadleigh, Roscoe Kimball.

Third Term.—Mary Hilliard, Arthur Wadleigh. Not absent or tardy for three years, Mary Hilliard.

EAST SCHOOL.

MISS ANNA M. LAMPREY, Teacher.

We employed Miss Lamprey with no misgivings as to her ability to keep a successful school. Under her guidance the scholars were stimulated to greater mental effort, which produced results gratifying to the friends of the school.

Forty-three of the parents and friends were present at the close of the school, when the recitations were especially prompt and interesting, showing that much time and thought had been bestowed upon the work of the year.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Not absent for the year, Nellie Mace, Herman Brown.

Absent but one day on account of sickness, Ned Brown.

Not absent for one term, Annie L. Chase, Francena Gill, Claudine Hull.

WEST SCHOOL.

MISS MARY J. PRESCOTT, Teacher.

Miss Prescott possesses a natural aptitude for teaching, and our expectations in regard to her success were realized in the results apparent at the close of the year.

Although this school is small in point of numbers, the time of the teacher is constantly occupied, and the work accomplished will compare favorably with that of any other school.

At the close of the term, the several classes were found to be well advanced, and the recitations were interesting.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Not absent for the year, Edith Eaton, *Carrie Foss.

Not absent for one term, Grace Evans, Mary Palmer.

SARAH A. GREEN,

For the Board of Education.

KENSINGTON, Feb. 15, 1890.

*One term at East School.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL BOARD.

Cash remaining in hands of treasurer, March 1st, 1889,	\$4 16
April 16, 1889, received of town treasurer,	20 00
June 27, " "	228 00
Nov. 25, " "	270 00
Feb. 15, 1890, " "	213 72
1889.	
Mar. 29, paid for 5 chairs,	1 60
Apr. 6, " for mortar,	40
" 6, " F. Brown, for fixing plastering,	1 00
" 15, " F. Poor, for 1 1-2 cords pine wood,	5 25
" " for one water pail,	15
" " for three boxes crayon pencils,	25
" " for sawing 1 cord wood for North school,	75
" " for sawing 1-2 cord wood for East school,	25
" " " " " West "	40
" 22, " for cleaning North school,	3 00
" " for 1 quart of ink,	30
" " for 2 brooms for East school,	50
May 1, " for 2 " North school,	50
" 1, " S. C. Chase, for 1-2 cord wood,	1 85
" 1, " for 2 quarts ink,	60
" 13, " dictionary for West school,	1 25
" 13, " towels "	25
June 28, " Miss M. Hilliard, teaching North school	
11 weeks, at \$8. per week,	88 00
July 2, " Miss M. J. Prescott, for teaching West	
school 11 weeks, at \$6.25 per week,	68 75
" 2, " Miss A. M. Lamprey, for teaching East	
school 11 weeks, at \$6.50 per week,	71 50
" 2, " for cleaning East school house,	2 00
Oct. 17, " for 2 brooms for West school,	50
" 18, " F. H. Hilliard; 1 cord hard wood, E. school,	6 00
" 18, " for one cord pine wood,	3 50
" 18, " for one cord hard wood for North school,	6 00
" 18, " for one cord hemlock wood for North school,	3 75
" 18, " for sawing hemlock for " "	75
" 18, " for sawing one cord hard wood for " "	1 00

" 18, "	for glass, putty, and setting same,	57
" 18, "	for 3 boxes crayon pencils,	25
Nov. 2, "	Mrs. Eaton, for cleaning West school house,	2 50
" 2, "	for 1 cord hard wood for West school,	6 00
" 2, "	for 1 cord pine wood " "	3 50
" 15, "	for sawing wood for East school,	1 25
" 15, "	for sawing " West " "	1 25
" "	for erasers,	72
" "	for books for desk use,	2 54
" 27, "	Miss Hilliard, for teaching North school 12 weeks,	96 00
" 27, "	Miss A. M. Lamprey, for teaching East school 12 weeks,	78 00
" 28, "	Miss M. J. Prescott, for teaching West School 12 weeks,	75 00
Dec. 1890.	1-2 cord pine wood and sawing same,	2 00
Feb. 5, "	H. C. Tuck, for piping well,	3 50
" 15, "	O. W. Brown, for 2 panes glass,	36
" "	O. W. Brown, for hinges and padlock,	50
" "	O. W. Brown, for repairing seats,	1 00
" "	Miss M. Hilliard, for teaching 9 weeks,	72 00
" "	Miss A. M. Lamprey, for teaching 9 weeks,	58 50
" "	Miss M. J. Prescott, for 8 weeks and 4 days,	55 00

		\$730 49
Amount of money received,		\$735 88
" " paid,		730 49

Remaining in hands of Treasurer,		\$5 39

STEPHEN M. KIMBALL, Treasurer.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

	NORTH SCHOOL.			EAST SCHOOL.			WEST SCHOOL.		
	First Term	Second Term	Third Term	First Term	Second Term	Third Term	First Term	Second Term	Third Term
Number of Pupils,			38	39	32	33	27	13	15
Average daily attendance,			31	35	22	29	21	12	12
Average per cent. of attendance,			91	90	85	94	88	13	10
Number instances of tardiness,			9	13	5	10	25	15	83
Number attending to Reading,			36	39	28	33	32	27	16
" " Spelling,			36	39	28	33	32	27	15
" " Arithmetic,			35	38	28	27	32	27	12
" " Geography,			24	23	19	27	20	11	12
" " Grammar,			13	13	13	14	16	17	12
" " History,			9	9	7	:	5	1	7
" " Physiology,			:	:	13	4	4	1	:
" " Algebra,			:	3	3	5	1	1	2
" " Book-keeping,			:	:	:	:	5	17	:
" " Composition,			17	17	13	14	16	5	7
" " Penmanship,			36	39	38	33	32	27	15
Number not absent,			7	7	2	6	4	3	2
Number weeks of school,			11	12	9	11	12	9	12
Wages per month,	\$32	:	:	:	\$26	:	..	\$25	9
Number of visitors,	36	26	40	40	25	17	50	27	22

BIRTHS Registered in the Town of Kensington, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1889.

Date. 1889.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex,	No. of Child. Living or Still- born.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
Jan. 19,	George William Dowe	M	L	2	W	William N. Dowe,	Hattie B. Weare,	Farmer,	Kensington,	Hampton Falls.
May 1,	Lura May Kimball,	F	"	8	"	Stephen M. Kimball,	Mary E. Giddins,	Farmer,	"	Exeter.
June 5,	Gaddas,	"	"	3	"	William Gaddas,	Jane I. Baker,	Shoemaker,	Providence, R. I.,	Lowell, Mass.,
" 26,	Nettie P. Davis,	"	"	1	"	George H. Davis,	Alice A. Hull,	Farm Laborer,	South Hampton,	Kensington.
May 5,	Aden F. Tilton,	"	"	1	"	William O. Tilton,	Olive L. Prescott,	Carpenter,	Hampton Falls,	"
Aug. 25,	Walter S. Dearborn,	M	"	2	"	Daniel Dearborn,	Rosa Truett,	Farmer,	Exeter,	Boscawen.
Oct. 9,	Mary E. Batchelder,	F	"	7	"	Samuel Batchelder,	Mary Shaughnessy,	Farmer,	Hampton Falls,	Ireland.
"	Herbert E. Wilbur,	M	"	3	"	Angus N. Wilbur,	Sarah E. Shuefelt,	Shoemaker,	New Brunswick,	Kensington.

MARRIAGES Registered in the Town of Kensington, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1889.

Date. 1889	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Color of each.	Occupation of groom and bride	Place of birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Conditions, . . .	Name, Residence, and Official Station of person by whom married.
Apr. 23,	Kensington,	Geo. H. Davis, Alice A. Hall,	Kensington, “	20 W	Farmer,	Amesbury, Ms., Kensington,	Hazen Davis, Charles E. Hull,	Kensington, “	1st,	Rev. Geo. Osgood, Kensington.
Dec. 25,	Haverhill, Ms.	Frank O. Tuck, Emma G. Wood,	Kensington, Groveland, Mass., 21	17 “	Carpenter,	Kensington, Groveland,	Charles E. Tuck, Samuel Wood,	“		Rev. C. S. Nutter, Haverhill, Mass.
Aug. 20,	Kensington,	Sherman Trumbull, Susie F. Osgood,	Amesbury, Mass.,	24 “	“	“	“	“		Rev. Geo. Osgood, Kensington.
Nov. 27,	Kensington,	William L. Condon, Clara P. O. Hatch,	Amesbury, Mass., 26	32 “	Carriage trim'r	So. Scituate, R. I., Salisbury, Mass.,	George Condon, Benj. Osgood,	“		Rev. Geo. Osgood, Kensington.

DEATHS Registered in the Town of Kensington, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1889.

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